

Through its successful enterprise, Kayem is the city of Chelsea's largest employer, with more than 500 workers representing immigrants from more than 25 different nations. Kayem serves the Greater Boston community in ways beyond being a stable employer. A leading supporter of Chelsea institutions like the Jordan Boys & Girls Club, Centro Latino and Bunker Hill Community College, Kayem is known for its generosity, including regular food donations to dozens of local charitable events. Kayem recently established "Kayem Cares," a program that supports the fight against breast cancer through donations based on sales.

For its commendable history and contributions to the community over the past 100 years, I would like to extend my congratulations to Kayem Foods and the Monkiewicz family.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN BARROW

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. BARROW. Madam Speaker, had I been present to vote on the Stearns (FL) Amendment to H.R. 3081 the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act of 2010, I would have voted "no."

HONORING PHYLLIS BUSANSKY

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of my friend Phyllis Busansky. Phyllis served my community in so many ways. Her last post was the Supervisor of Elections for Hillsborough County, Florida. Phyllis will always be remembered in our hearts for her brave leadership, for her open, gregarious style and for her ability and zeal to fix problems that were tough to tackle.

Phyllis served under Florida Governors Lawton Chiles and Jeb Bush and established the Welfare-to-Work program, which helped the state's poor find employment and financial stability.

After graduating from Wheaton College, Phyllis earned her master's of business administration from Brandeis University. She taught leadership and coalition building at Columbia University's School of Public Health. A native of Connecticut, Phyllis lived in Tampa for nearly three decades, and she and her husband, Sheldon, raised their three children there.

Before being elected Supervisor of Elections for Hillsborough County in 2008, Phyllis served our seniors as director of Hillsborough's Department for Aging Services and our entire community on the Hillsborough County Hospital Authority. In 1988 she was elected to serve two terms as a County Commissioner. There Phyllis led the fight to provide innovative and visionary county-wide health care for poor and working folks. Her legacy as the primary author of the Hillsborough County Health Care Plan lives on

every day in the improved health of our neighbors and our community. She was truly passionate about making sure those who could least afford health care or had limited access had a fighter on their side. She was already showing her same passion as Supervisor of Elections, working tirelessly to guarantee that voters' rights were protected.

Phyllis was proud to be a "happy warrior" for so many causes. It is especially poignant to lose her during this crucial time when the Congress struggles to make health care a reality for all our neighbors. We will all need to draw on her energy and commitment and, being mindful of the huge gap she has left us, vow to work even harder.

Phyllis' big heart resulted in her describing many in our community as "fabulous", but the truth is that few are or ever will be as fabulous as Phyllis.

Madam Speaker, my thoughts and prayers are with her husband, Sheldon, and all her family. She will be sorely missed.

INTRODUCING THE SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH ACT

HON. BETSY MARKEY

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Ms. MARKEY of Colorado. Madam Speaker, today I introduced The Small Business Growth Act along with Representatives BLAINE LUETKEMEYER, ALAN GRAYSON, RON PAUL, GINNY BROWN-WAITE, VERN BUCHANAN, BOBBY BRIGHT, and ANN KIRKPATRICK. I thank them for their support.

As we all know small business is the economic backbone of America; small businesses provide nearly 70 million workers employment and 80 percent of all new jobs in America. Small businesses are struggling in these tough economic times. We must do more to help small business which will turn our economy around.

Under Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code small business can expense machinery, equipment and furniture but not "real property"—new structures (buildings), renovations and structural components; this legislation corrects this matter.

The Small Business Growth Act is targeted to small businesses which have gross receipts of less than \$5 million for the past three years. The legislation makes permanent a tax deduction for capital improvements that small businesses make to their facilities allowing them to take up to \$125,000. An immediate tax deduction, rather than depreciation, will help small businesses to put money towards expanding their facility, purchasing a new piece of equipment, or hiring another worker—all of which creates jobs and stimulates our economy.

I urge all members to support The Small Business Growth Act.

THE COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY INITIATIVE

HON. ADRIAN SMITH

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Madam Speaker, in early 2008, President Bush established the

Comprehensive National Cybersecurity Initiative to address cyberattacks on federal networks and President Obama has committed to fully continue this effort under his administration.

Awareness of our vulnerabilities to cyberattack and the need for action is nearly universal and goes beyond party lines.

The seriousness of this situation was brought into focus this week, when it was revealed a powerful attack overwhelmed computers at U.S. and South Korean government Web sites.

Other targets included the National Security Agency, the State Department, and the New York Stock Exchange.

It is our responsibility as a Congress—and my commitment as a member of the House Science and Technology Committee—to ensure we get this issue right, and ensure taxpayer dollars provide a return in the form of lasting and effective security, while also protecting privacy.

The need is real, the threat is present and clear, and I want to make sure our country is prepared.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SCOTT MURPHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. MURPHY of New York. Madam Speaker, on Thursday, July 9, 2009, I was absent from U.S. House of Representatives while on official business in my district.

Had I been present, I would have voted as follows: "no" on rollcall 497; "aye" on rollcall 498; "aye" on rollcall 499; "aye" on rollcall 500; "no" on rollcall 501; "aye" on rollcall 502; "no" on rollcall 503; "no" on rollcall 504; "no" on rollcall 505; "no" on rollcall 506; "no" on rollcall 507; "no" on rollcall 508; "aye" on rollcall 509; "aye" on rollcall 510; "aye" on rollcall 511; "aye" on rollcall 512; "no" on rollcall 513; "aye" on rollcall 514; "aye" on rollcall 515; "aye" on rollcall 516; "no" on rollcall 517; "no" on rollcall 518; "aye" on rollcall 519; "no" on rollcall 520; "aye" on rollcall 521; "no" on rollcall 522.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF MR. LEROY HILL

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, south Alabama and indeed the entire state recently lost a dear friend, and I rise today to honor him and pay tribute to his memory.

Leroy Hill was born in Eagle Lake, Florida, and was a longtime resident of Grand Bay. He served in the Korean War as a staff sergeant ranger in the Airborne division of the U.S. Army.

Following his career in the Army, Mr. Hill moved to Savannah, Georgia, and began his career in the coffee business. He worked as a Maxwell House route man for the Belford Company earning \$40 a week. In 1956, he transferred to Mobile and created his own coffee business, the Leroy Hill Coffee Company,